



Tambua Utu Foundation

Quarter 1, Report.

Jan- March 2026

1.0 Introduction

Children with disabilities have a fundamental right to education, as articulated in the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights and reinforced through the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), which came into force in 2008 and was ratified by Tanzania in 2009. Article 24 of the CRPD mandates that children with disabilities must not be excluded from free and compulsory education and must receive equitable, quality, and inclusive learning opportunities within their communities.

Evidence from UNESCO indicates that the primary barriers to inclusion are societal rather than medical. These include stigma rooted in cultural and religious beliefs, parental resistance, and structural constraints such as:

- Inadequate teacher training in inclusive education
- Limited screening and early identification systems
- Lack of assistive devices and rehabilitation services
- Inaccessible infrastructure and overcrowded classrooms
- Financial barriers



Tambua Utu Foundation addresses these challenges through a targeted approach focused on:

- 1.Children enrolled but excluded from effective learning environments
- 2.Children not enrolled but capable of participating with flexible support
- 3.Children with severe disabilities requiring specialized assistive devices

The foundation identified key drivers of delayed enrollment and early dropout. And integrates education support with rehabilitation services and assistive device provision to enable meaningful participation in schooling.



2.0 Vision and Mission

Vision Statement

A Tanzanian society whereby the rights of people with disabilities are safeguarded, and they enjoy recognition, participation, dignity, and the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Mission Statement

To advocate for the reform of discriminatory systems and socio-economic practices affecting persons with disabilities while promoting inclusive approaches. The Foundation works to expand access to education, rehabilitation, medical care, and assistive devices, alongside strengthening capacity in climate action, green economy initiatives, vocational skills, financial literacy, and human rights education in collaboration with other stakeholders.

3.0 Overview

Q1 2026 marks a shift toward structured program delivery with measurable outcomes. The Foundation strengthened its financial position, expanded education access, and advanced integrated programming across disability inclusion, health, and livelihoods.

- USD 8,153 mobilized in January
- USD 1,500 Contributed in February
- 55 students supported from 3 schools
- Expansion into therapy services and
- Climate-linked beekeeping livelihood project initiated



4.0 Program Reach and Outputs

55 students supported (education access)

- 20 new wheelchairs purchased (for 20 children)
- 3 caregiver livelihood groups formed (60 women)
- Physiotherapy program initiated at the foundation
- Climate-resilient beekeeping livelihood project established



5.0 Financial Performance

Revenue Overview

Total funds mobilized during the period amounted to USD 9,653, combining matched funding, individual donations, and community contributions.

Breakdown:

- Matching funds: USD 5,000
- Individual donations: USD 3,153
- Community contributions: USD 1,500
 - Food support: USD 600
 - Wheelchair provision: USD 900



Institutional funding (matching funds) accounted for approximately 52% of total revenue, while individual and community-driven contributions accounted for 48%.

Expenditure Overview

Total expenditure for January–March amounted to USD 6,600

- School supplies (55 students): USD 1,600
- Food support (St. Francis & Tumaini Centre): USD 900
- Wheelchairs (20 units): USD 3,000
- Facilitation, logistics, and administration: USD 500
- Office rent (6 months): USD 600

Expenditure Insight

The largest cost driver was assistive device provision (44%), followed by education support (24%).

Financial Position

- Total Revenue: USD 9,653
- Total Expenditure: USD 6,600
- Balance / Surplus: USD 3,053



6.0 Education Support Performance

Progress reflects a transition from access provision to retention and performance stabilization.

Key achievements:

- 55 total students supported across 3 schools
- 2 full educational sponsorships secured
- 20 new wheelchairs purchased ready for distribution next Quarter



7.0 Therapy Services

The introduction of in-house physiotherapy services (March 2026) represents a critical structural upgrade.

- Twice-weekly therapy sessions planned
- Focus on children with cerebral palsy
- Reduced dependency on external services

This aligns with community-based rehabilitation (CBR) models, improving accessibility and continuity



8.0 Livelihoods and Climate Action

The beekeeping initiative has progressed from pilot to scaling phase.

Key developments:

- Expansion from 5 starter hives
- Transition to Tumaini Centre for structured management
- Adoption of stingless beekeeping (low-risk model)

Impact dimensions:

- Income diversification for caregivers
- Environmental conservation (pollination, biodiversity)
- Replicable community-based model to 2 other caregivers groups in Marangu

This intervention exemplifies climate-resilient livelihood integration within disability programming.



9.0 Mobility Support

- 20 Children identified for wheelchair support
- Annual target: 60 wheelchairs

Mobility interventions influence:

- School attendance
- Social participation
- Reduction in caregiver burden
- Independence and Freedom



10.0 Partnerships

- Strategic partnership with Community Bridges Foundation
- Partnership established with Myriad USA to support international fundraising.

Giving instructions

U.S.-based donors can make tax-deductible contributions to the **Friends of the Tambua Utu Foundation** at Myriad USA. Because Myriad USA is a public charity, within the meaning of Sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) of the IRC, donors may claim the maximum tax benefits allowed by U.S. tax law for their contributions. If you wish to support us, here is how to proceed: <https://www.every.org/tambua-utu-foundation>

11.0 Strategic Outlook (Quarter 2)

Priority areas:

- Strengthening education retention systems
- Scaling rehabilitation services and wheelchair provision
- Expanding livelihood programs (beekeeping replication)
- Strengthening Fundraising
- Enhancing donor reporting and accountability systems



Conclusion



The Foundation is moving beyond access-focused interventions toward integrated, system-based programming supported by data, partnerships, and community engagement.

Key strengths include:

- Diversified funding streams
- Integrated program design
- Emerging monitoring systems
- Strong alignment with global inclusion frameworks



The primary constraint remains scaling high-cost interventions, particularly therapy and assistive devices. However, current partnership indicate a positive expansion outlook for Quarter 2.